

# **North Providence Land Trust**

**Thursday, December 14, 2006**

## **Minutes**

**Present: D. Almonte, K. Conte, R. Mer gener, A. Natale, J. Rendine, B. Vetter**

**Guests: Ken Beauregard (Lapore Farm) and AnnMarie Ignasher (Lapore Farm)**

- 1. The meeting was called to order by B. Vetter at 7 P.M. A quorum was present.**
- 2. The minutes for September 14 were accepted with corrections and additions. The meetng for November 9, 2006 was postponed to December 14, 2006.**
- 3. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Americo DiCristofaro, who died suddenly in November.**
- 4. At the last minute the Mayor's office sent work to Erin Donovan not to submit the grant application to DEM for assistance to purchase the Lapore and/or the Camp Meehan properties. Lapore Farm is still a major concern. The guests confirmed the desire of the Lapore family to place the farm in trust to preserve the land as open space through**

**the Towns of Lincoln and North Providence. Citing Providence Journal and the Town Council meeting April 2006, the members reaffirmed their interest to encourage the North Providence officials to enter into an agreement with the Lapore family and Camp Meehan owners as soon as possible. This may be a once in a life time opportunity to preserve open space for future generations. The Comprehensive Plan shows that North Providence is far below other communities in available open space land per square mile.**

**5. K. Conte suggested there is a need to seek more clarification from the Town Planners as to their maps locating Camp Meehan and Lapore boundaries within North Providence land survey. It seems some boundaries are old and make current maps unclear. The Town of Lincoln has listed some unclear boundaries with their new purchase of the Camp Meehan land in Lincoln within the North Providence boundary. Lincoln believes they now own a piece of land in North Providence.**

**6. A. Ingasher offered to host a walk through the Lapore Farm for members of the Land Trust and particularly members of Councilmen and other Town officials.**

**7. Election of new officers is the first order of business for January. We will be looking for new candidates for Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary.**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.**

**Next meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2007 at 7 P.M. at Town Hall  
at 7 P.M.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Roland Mergener, Secretary**